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SUBJECT: NEW RFE/RL TRANSMITTERS AT HOLZKIRCHEN;

DISCUSSIONS WITH FRG OFFICIALS

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1. BEGIN LOU. EMBOFF ACCOMPANIED GEORGE JACOBS OF BOARD FOR INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING ON COURTESY CALL TO HERBERT KRATH OF BUNDESPOST MINISTERIUM WHO HAD ALSO INVITED THOMAS BOECKING OF FOREIGN OFFICE. BOTH FRG OFFICIALS ARE INVOLVED WITH FOREIGN BROADCASTING IN THE FRG.

2. JACOBS BRIEFED FRG OFFICIALS ON ROLE OF BIB AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO RFE/RL INC., AND ON THE RESULTS OF RECENT PRESIDENTIAL STUDY WHICH RECOMMENDED ADDITIONAL SHORTWAVE TRANSMITTERS FOR U.S. INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING EFFORTS. JACOBS ASKED KRATH ABOUT STATUS OF FRG APPROVAL FOR FOUR OF THE RECOMMENDED 250 KW TRANSMITTERS PLANNED FOR THE HOLZKIRCHEN PLANT OF RFE/RL.

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3. KRATH REPLIED THAT BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS, BOTH THE BPM AND THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAD BEEN ASKED TO PASS THE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR, WHERE IT IS PRESENTLY UNDER REVIEW. KRATH AND BOECKING BOTH POINTED OUT THAT WHILE THE PROCEDURE WAS SLOW, IT WAS PROPER AND THEY DID NOT ANTICIPATE ANY SERIOUS PROBLEMS. BOECKING

LATER CHECKED WITH THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE AND WAS TOLD THAT IT MIGHT BE TWO WEEKS OR SO BEFORE A REPLY WILL BE MADE). END LOU, BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL

4. KRATH ASKED WHEN FRG MIGHT RECEIVE RESPONSE FROM USG CONCERNING PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED MEETING TO DISCUSS MUNICH LONGWAVE TRANSMITTER (REF. BONN 05828). HE STATED THAT POSSIBLE FRG NEED FOR FREQUENCY 209 KHZ AND LONGWAVE TRANSMITTER WAS INCREASING SINCE RECENT TECHNICAL STUDY DISCLOSED THAT ONLY OTHER LONGWAVE FREQUENCY ASSIGNED FRG (155 KHZ) WOULD RECEIVE SERIOUS INTERFERENCE FROM ADJACENT CHANNEL FRENCH STATION. JACOBS POINTED OUT THAT HE WAS NO LONGER WITH VOA, BUT AS FAR AS HE KNEW MATTER WAS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON. END CONFIDENTIAL
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